

In the Supreme Court of the State of Alaska

Richard L. Green,

Appellant,

v.

**State of Alaska, Department of
Health & Social Services, Office of
Children's Services, as legal custodian
of Un-named Children 1-4 and Office
of Public Advocacy, as guardian ad
litem of Un-named Children 1-4,**

Appellees.

Supreme Court No. **S-18062**

Order Denying Consolidation

Date of Order: **May 26, 2021**

Trial Court Case Nos. **3PA-20-00568/569/570/571CI**

Appellant Richard L. Green filed a motion to combine this appeal with (1) a petition for review, arising from separate superior court child-in-need-of-aid proceedings, of an interim child custody ruling, Supreme Court No. S-18075; (2) a petition for review, arising from a separate superior court proceeding, of an order denying his requested short-term domestic violence protective order (pending a ruling on a requested long-term domestic violence protective order), Supreme Court No. S-18078; and (3) an appeal of an order, arising from yet another separate superior court proceeding, denying his request for domestic violence protective orders, Supreme Court No. S-18080, filed May 20, 2021, although the filings in that attempted appeal were deficient and a deficiency notice was issued on May 24, 2021. The Office of Children's Services opposed the requested combination (which we will refer to as a consolidation). Mr. Green moved to file a reply; that motion is **GRANTED**.

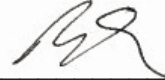
Mr. Green is reminded that a petition for review is a request that this court exercise its discretion to grant review of a non-final, interim order by a trial court. This court may or may not grant review in Mr. Green's two petitions for review. A decision whether to grant review in each case will not be made until respondents have had an opportunity to state their positions about the petitions for review. Unless and until this court exercises its discretion to grant review, which likely would include an order for full briefing, there is no good reason to consolidate the petitions for review with this appeal. And until Mr. Green's latest appeal is perfected and can be considered an active appeal, there is no good reason to consolidate it with this appeal; additionally, the underlying superior court case does not involve the same parties as this appeal, suggesting that consolidation would be inappropriate.

Accordingly, Mr. Green's consolidation motion is **DENIED** without prejudice to a later consolidation motion made if and when this court grants either or both of the petitions for review or if and when he perfects his recent appeal. Mr. Green should be aware that consolidating future appellate matters with this appeal likely will result in additional delay because doing so may involve preparing additional superior court records for this court's consideration and may involve briefing orders that otherwise may be issued earlier.

Entered at the direction of an individual justice.

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